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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
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SERIAL NO: 10/589,511 :  
FILED: AUGUST 15, 2006 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1792  
FOR: METHOD FOR CLEANING :  
TREATMENT CHAMBER IN  
SUBSTRATE TREATING APPARATUS  
AND METHOD FOR DETECTING  
ENDPOINT OF CLEANING

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 11, 2009, Applicants hereby elect, *without traverse*, Group I, claims 1-6, 9-17, 20, 21, 23-25, 29, 35, 38-42, 47, 48 and 52-56, drawn to a method. Applicants make this election based on the understanding that Applicants are not prejudiced against filing one or more divisional applications that cover the non-elected claims.

Accordingly, examination on the merits of Group I, claims 1-6, 9-17, 20, 21, 23-25, 29, 35, 38-42, 47, 48 and 52-56 is believed to be in order and an early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

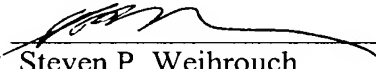
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